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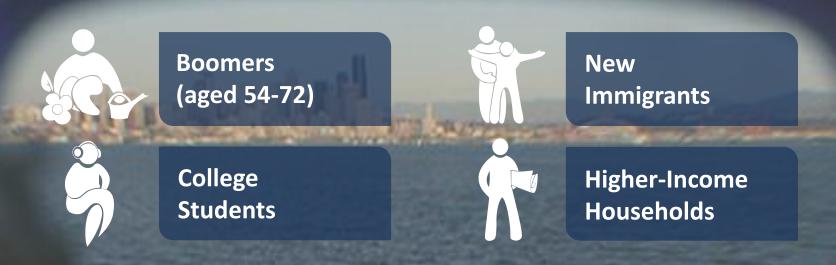
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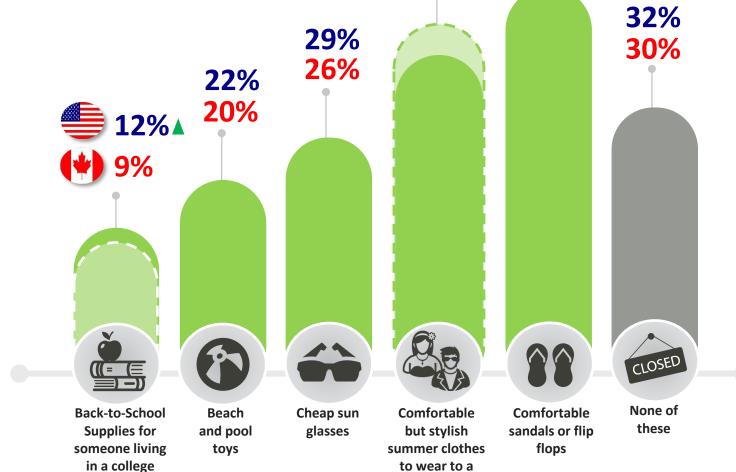
AUDIENCE SURVEY

Ipsos Online Omnibus RESULTS

Identifying Niche Retail Audiences

Increase the number of respondents in your target audience with each wave to achieve a robust survey sample.





47%

48%

36%▼

43%

fancy outdoor

event



dormitory for

the first time

There is a significant minority that prefer to do most of their non-grocery shopping at smaller and niche retailers



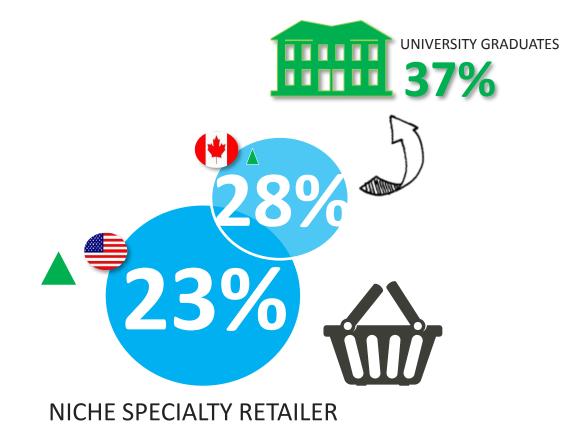




When seeking to purchase a special gift, niche specialty retailers are the preferred option for nearly three in ten



niche specialty retailer? US (n=1,006) / Canada (n=1,001)





Each type of retailer is perceived to have a distinctly different customer value proposition

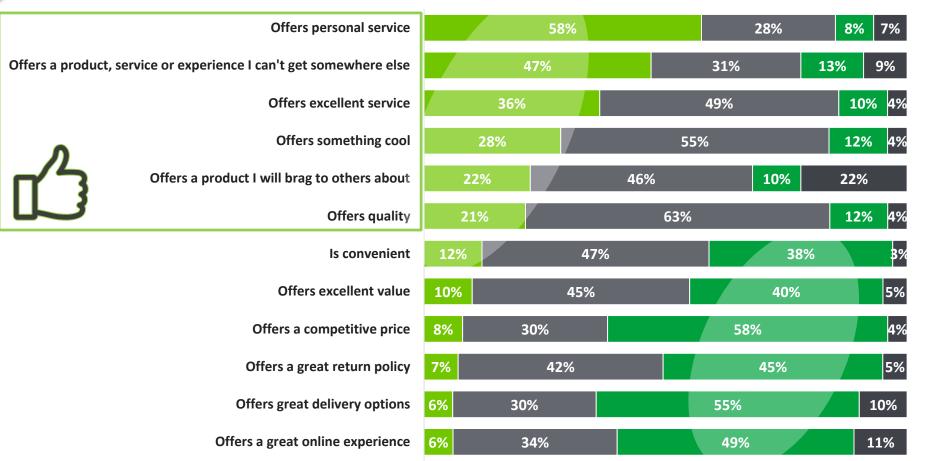


Applies more to a small shop

■ Applies to both equally

■ Applies more to a large retailer

■ Neither



NICHE SPECIALTY RETAILER

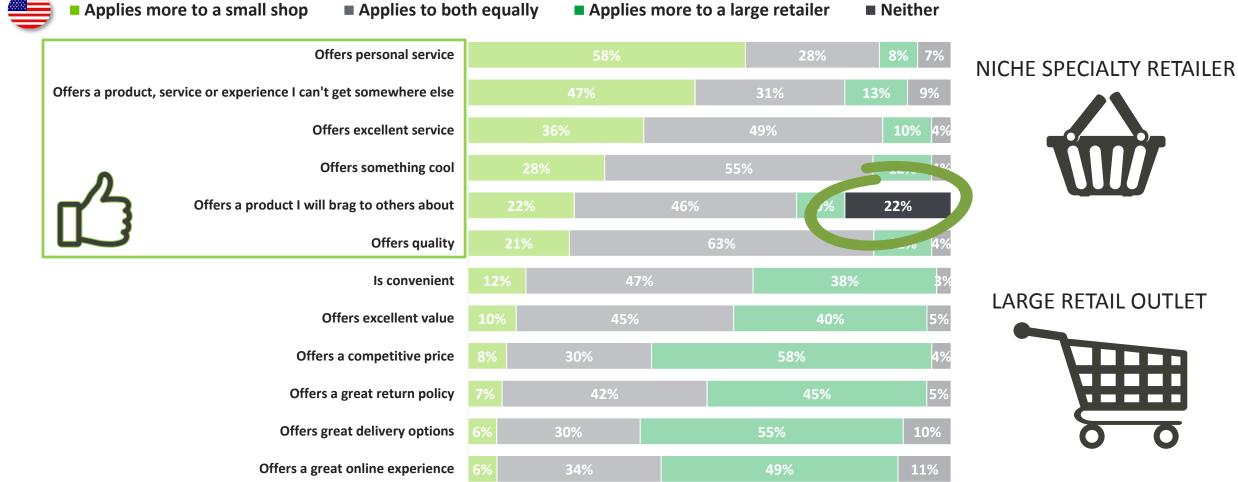






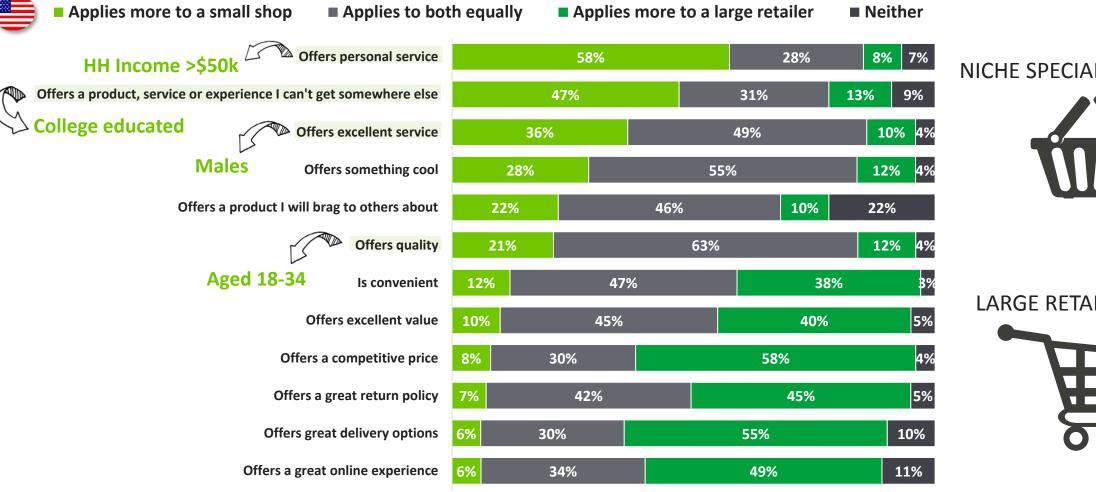


Opportunities lie in differentiation





Emphasize values that align with target audiences – learn more about what attributes your targets value





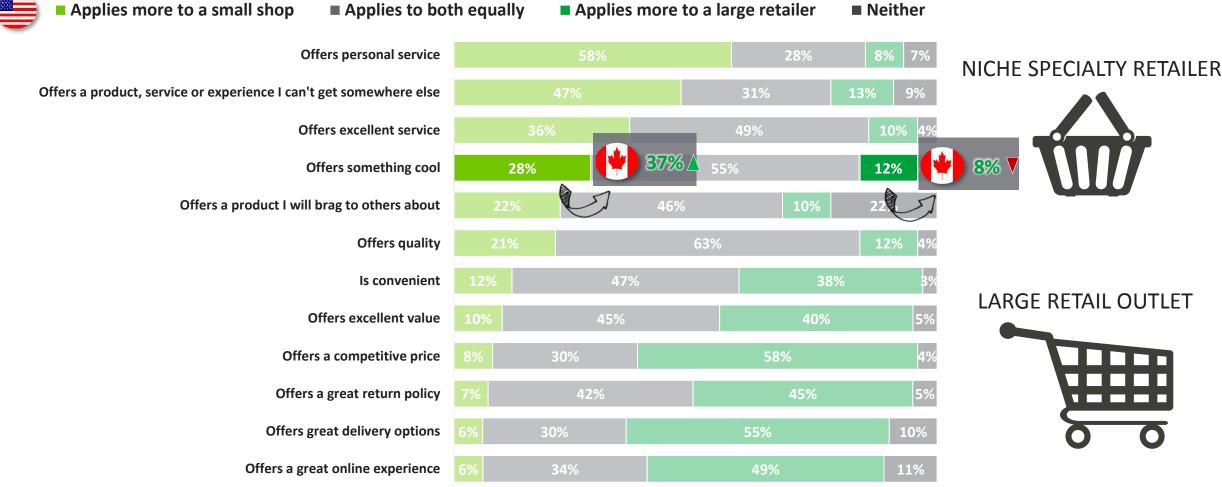




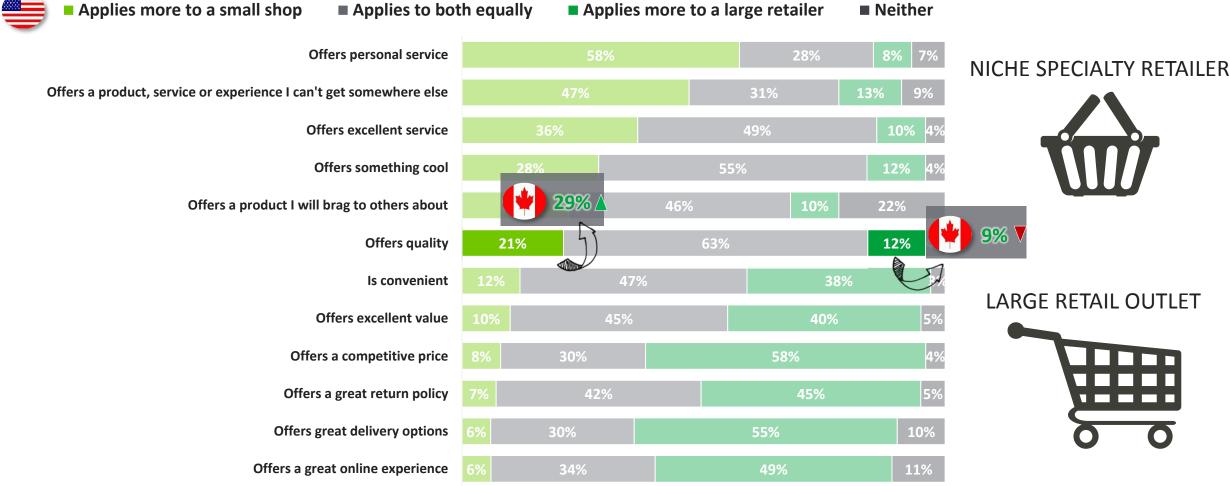




Small retailers are more likely to be perceived as offering something cool

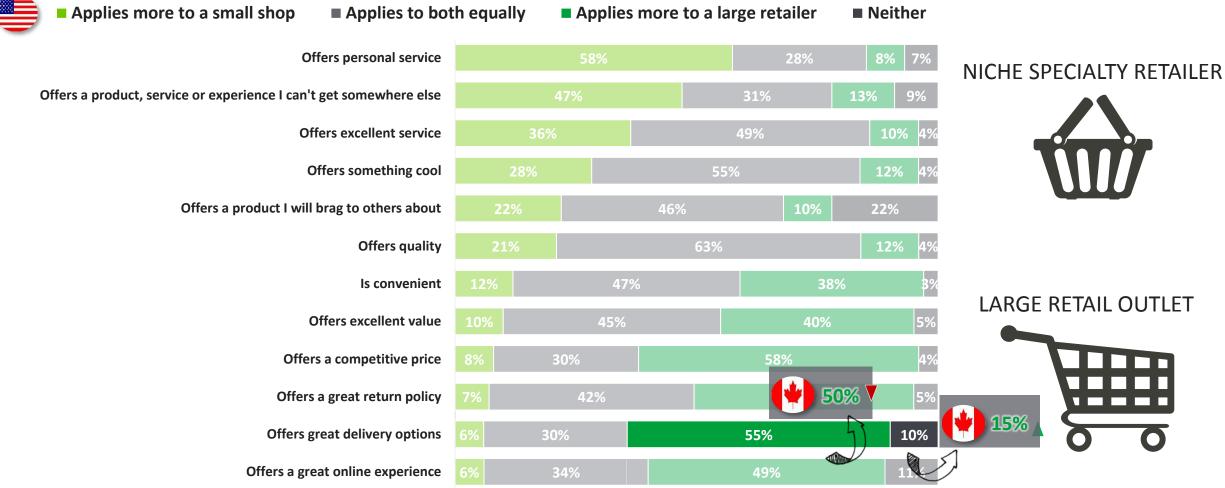


The Canadian audience is particularly likely to perceive small retailers as offering quality

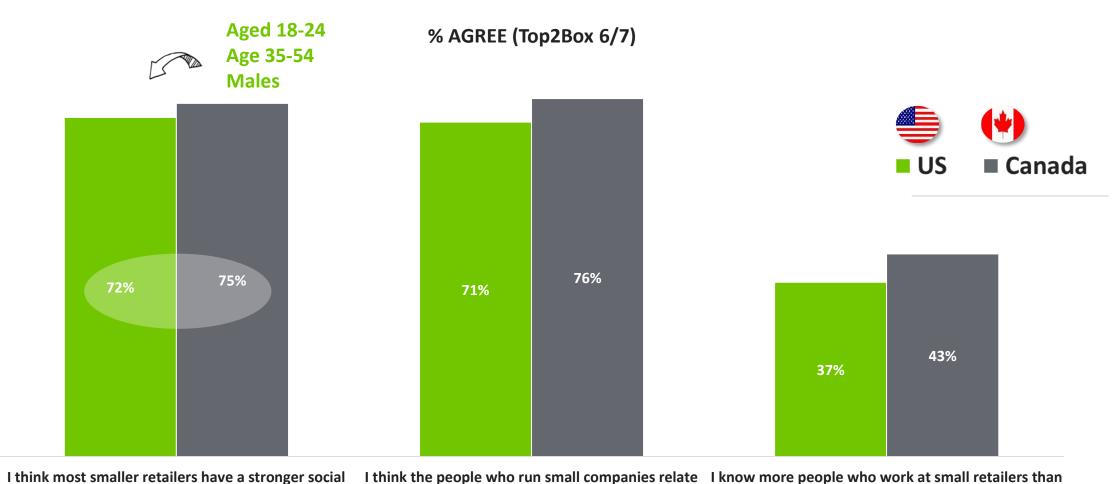


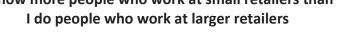
Delivery options are a pain point for Canadian

consumers



Consumers have a more positive perception of smaller retailers







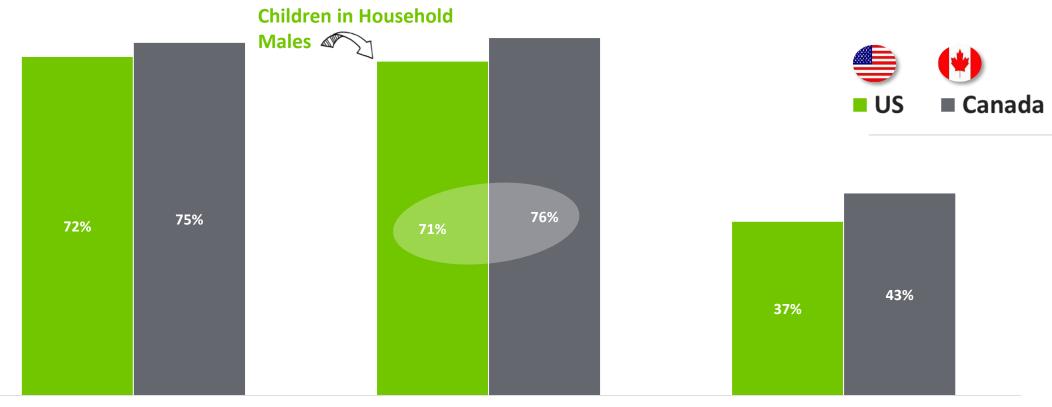
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% AGREE (Top2Box 6/7)



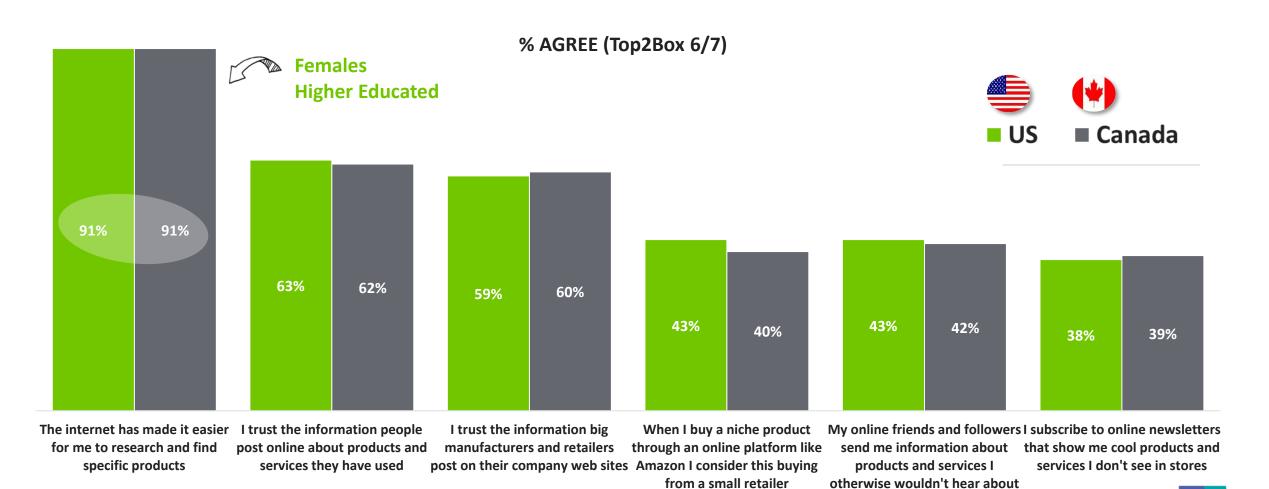
I think most smaller retailers have a stronger social conscience compared to larger retailers

I think the people who run small companies relate I know more people who work at small retailers than better to me and understand my needs better than the people who run big companies

I do people who work at larger retailers

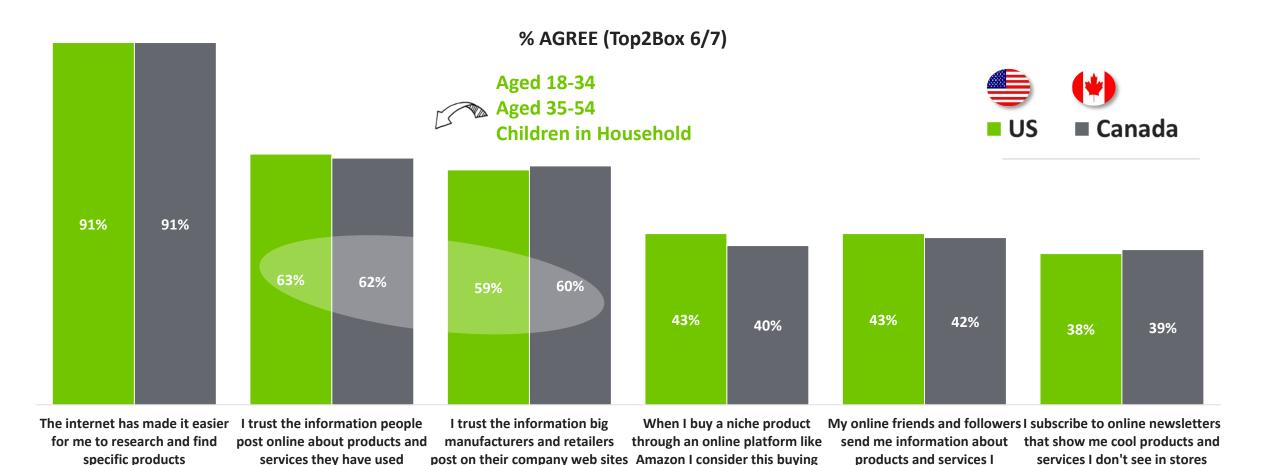


Niche retailers have a captive audience online who are actively seeking out products of interest



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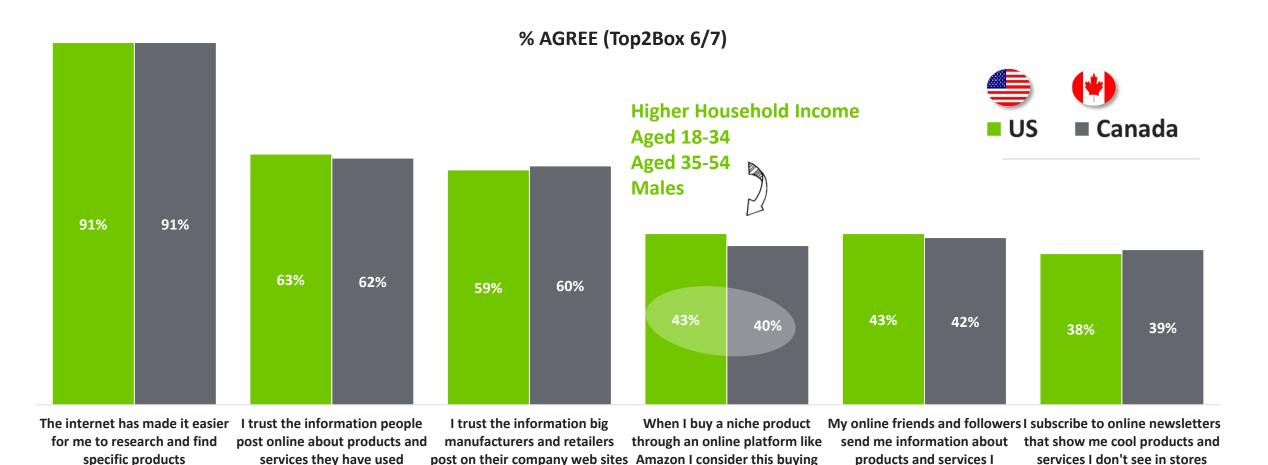
These shoppers are turning to 'trusted' online sources for product reviews and recommendations



from a small retailer

otherwise wouldn't hear about

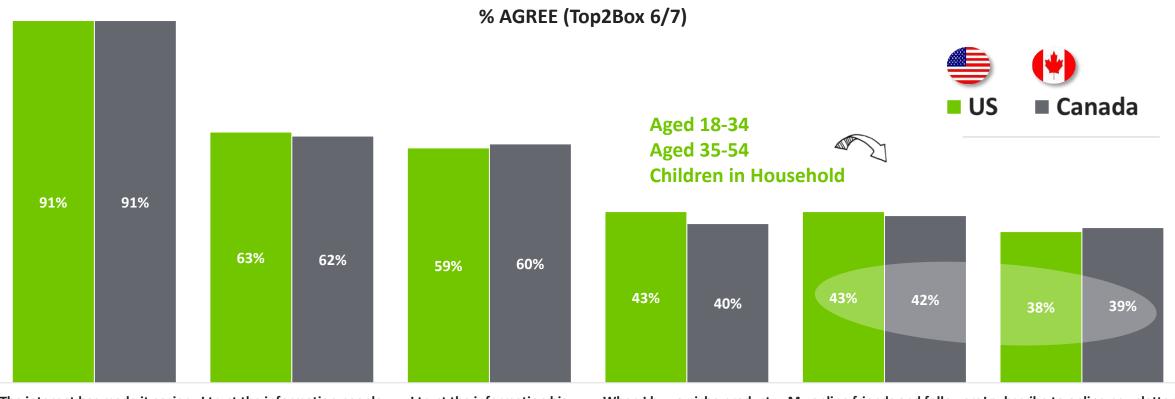
Four in ten online consumers are open to buying niche products from a small retailer



from a small retailer

otherwise wouldn't hear about

Many consumers learn about new products from online friends & followers and newsletters they wouldn't otherwise see or hear about in stores



for me to research and find specific products

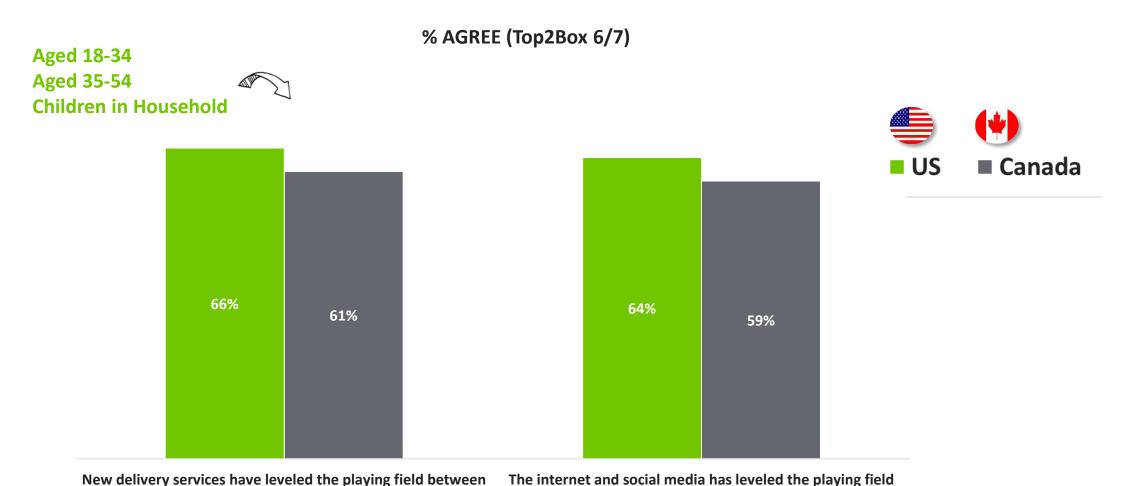
The internet has made it easier I trust the information people post online about products and services they have used

I trust the information big manufacturers and retailers

When I buy a niche product through an online platform like post on their company web sites Amazon I consider this buying from a small retailer

My online friends and followers I subscribe to online newsletters send me information about that show me cool products and products and services I services I don't see in stores otherwise wouldn't hear about

With the majority perceiving a level playing field for small retailers, are consumer expectations increasing?





between small and large retailers

small and large retailers

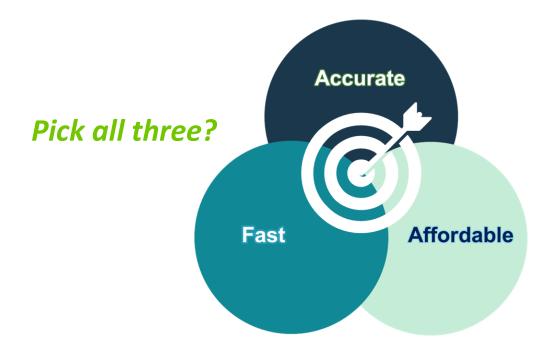
Strategic Considerations

- Do you know who your target audiences are?
- What do they value?
- What opportunities can you leverage that will most appeal to your target?

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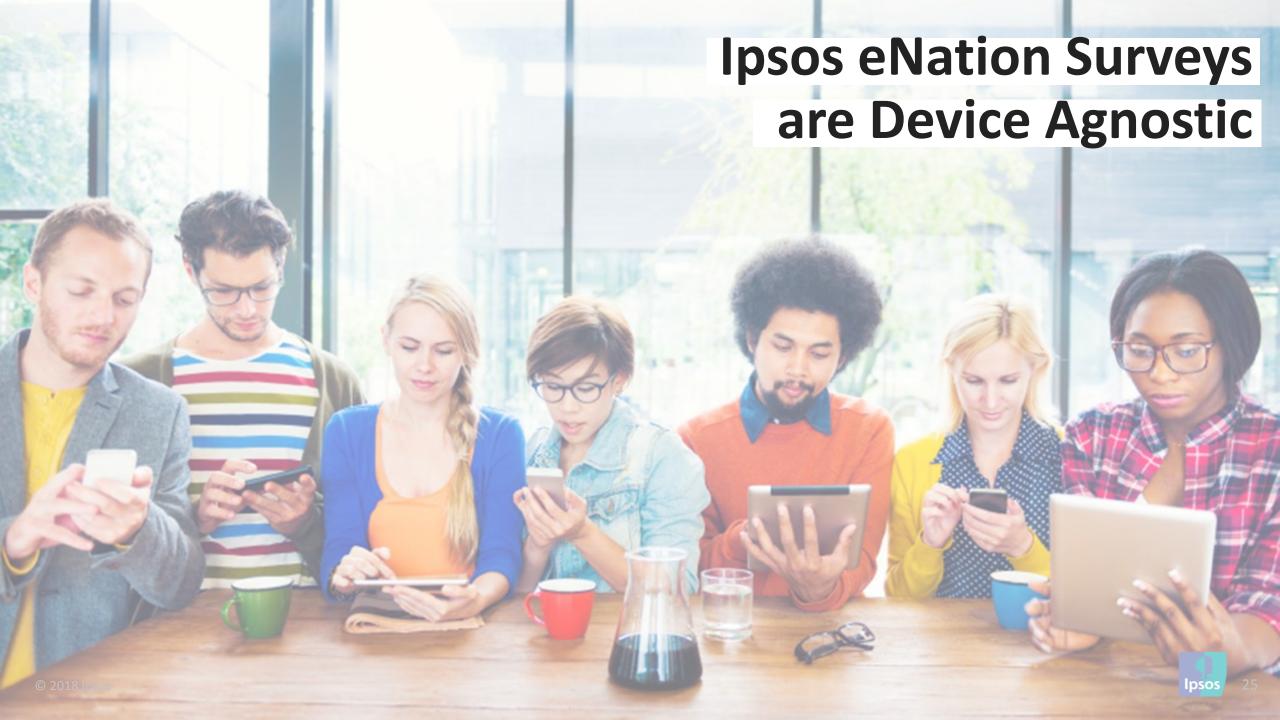
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